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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests a three-month extension of time under 37 CFR, Section 1.136(a) within which to respond to the Official Action dated February 16, 1999, that is, to and including August 16, 1999. A Continued Prosecution Application under 37 CFR 1.53(d) is being filed simultaneously concurrently herewith via Express Mail.

The undersigned authorizes the Commissioner to charge the extension fee of \$870.00 to Deposit Account No. 07-1765. Moreover, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 07-1765. This document is filed in duplicate.

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Respectfully submitted,

Cryovac, Inc. P.O. Box 464 Duncan, S.C. 29334 August 16, 1999

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